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WANT TO DRILL
WATER WELLSADVERTISE FOR DRILLERS
FOR CITY WATER WELLS
ON NEW PLANT SITE

MUST FURNISH CASING ALSO

Mayor Says Drillers Are Right
Here and That Job Can be
Done by Men in this
District

A telegram addressed to J. W. Barnes was read at the city council meeting Tues. night from a party at Chanute, Kas., in which second hand well casing was offered cheap. Before any action was taken on this it was decided that Mr. Moore's advice would be followed and advertisements run for 10 days for the drilling of the two deep water wells and the casing, also the work of casing the wells.

Mayor Wright suggested that there was plenty of drillers in this district and asked that the advertisements be run in Baxter, Miami and Joplin, which will be done. Any one who would like to bid on the job can see the specifications in the Baxter Daily Citizen.

BAXTER PEOPLE
MUST SIDEWALKCITY IS ADVERTISING FOR
BIDS FOR THE BUILD-
ING OF WALKS

GET BUSY NOW AND SAVE

Can Save the 25 Per Cent Pen-
alty if Walks Are Built Right
Now—Must Build 100
Blocks or Suffer

City Engineer A. C. Terrill gave a complete and exhaustive report of the sidewalk situation in Baxter Springs at the meeting of the city council Tuesday night. Mr. Terrill presented a map, something very plain and comprehensive, showing all the walks now built in the city, showing all the walks that must be built to comply with the different ordinances passed and the walks that ought to be built.

Baxter Springs has 207 blocks of sidewalk now built and 100 blocks that have been ordered in but have not been built. Of these 100 blocks some people are waiting on grades, which have not been given them. These people should see the city engineer at once. Some people may not have received the proper notification. If they have not they are to be notified at once. The city will advertise for contractors at once to build the 100 blocks and if people want to save the 25 per cent penalty they can do so by getting busy at once. The price seems to be anywhere from 12½ cents to 16 cents. In some places where fills or cuts have to be made the contractors charge extra for this work. Since Mr. Terrill has been holding them to the specifications and making a close test of the walks that have been built the contractors claim there is little money in 12 and 15 cent walks. The council is undecided just how the contracts will be let—whether by street, number of blocks or as one job. The contractors here now, it is thought, would not be able to do the whole job of 100 blocks—that is, one contractor.

The best way for those who are delinquent to do is to build the walks themselves at once and save the extra charge.

The walks to be built aggregate almost six miles if placed end to end and at 12½ cents would cost \$3,750.

The Bootlegger's Request.
Asked if he had anything to say before receiving sentence to the county jail on his conviction as a bootlegger, a Vernon county offender told the judge he'd like to be allowed to collect before going behind the bars the \$5 one him from the sale of the whisky on which the prosecution was based.—Kansas City Times.

CHAMBER WAS
A LITTLE LATECOMMUNICATION WAS ACT-
ED UPON IN PART—OTH-
ER ATTENDED TO

CARS MUST DIM LIGHTS

Draft an Ordinance to Compel
Rogers Line Cars to Stop at
Every Crossing in Bax-
ter Springs

A communication addressed to the mayor and council of Baxter Springs by the officers and directors of the Chamber of Commerce was one of the first matters taken care of at the meeting of the city council in adjourned session Tuesday night.

The Chamber commended the stand taken by the mayor with reference to the Empire Electric light company here, but as that matter had been taken care of several days ago, this part of the communication was wasted. The latter part of the writing suggested that the Rogers line should be compelled to stop at the crossings in town and that the cars should be compelled by ordinance to dim their lights in passing through town at night was taken as a good suggestion and the mayor and council gave the city attorney instructions to draw up an ordinance of that nature. The company must stop their cars at any crossing within the corporation lines of Baxter Springs if any body wants to get on or off just as in other cities. At the last meeting of the council an ordinance was passed controlling the speed of the cars in the city.

HOME GUARDS
INVITE OTHERSBaxter Springs Has the Crack
Company of this Part of the
State—Will Have a
"Blow-Out"

The Baxter Springs Home Guards are going to stage a little celebration here Tuesday night of next week. After drill and the usual routine there will be some "festivities." There will be ice cream and some other good things to eat and there will be some other appeals to the senses. It is to be a carnival.

The Guards will put on the carnival at Library Park. The prime object will be to raise funds to finish paying for the suits but there will also be a strong element of gaiety and enjoyment in the entire event. "Swat the Kaiser," the arrest, trial, conviction, and execution of the Kaiser; doll racks, ice cream and cake, the very best of music in variety. A girls company will be formed by the girls of the town who want to take some of the drill work. Singing, dancing and confetti and all that it takes to make a real carnival will be there.

Now, the Guards are not selfish and they want to make this writing a formal invitation to all other companies of Guards in this section of the country to come and partake of the good time. Especially is this invitation issued to Columbus and Galena, which towns have the only two other companies of State Guards in Cherokee county. Tell all your friends about it for the boys and the girls are going to put on a "real doin's" and there is going to be some fun in it.

The Guards had a big turn out last night and the conduct of the company under drill is now most excellent considering the length of time the company has been in existence.

ABOUT PUTTING IN RISERS

Schilling Charged \$1.50 Per Foot but
Wyggle Will Charge 75 Cents
for the City.

During the time when Mr. Schilling was superintendent of the sewer work here he put in risers for a number of people and charged them \$1.50 per foot for it. Present superintendent, Mr. Wyggle, has ascertained that the city can do the work for 75 cents per

CHAS. BROWN WAS KILLED

Picher Boy Killed in Action on the
Marne—Brother Is in the
Navy.

Picher, Okla., Aug. 1.—A message was received Tuesday by Charles Brown from Secretary Lansing at Washington, D. C., announcing the death of his son, Roy, a Picher boy, who enlisted in the army in 1916, and was one of the first to go to France with General Pershing.

His death occurred in the front trenches on the Marne Monday night at 6 o'clock while in action with his company. Roy was well known to the older residents of the city and was a boy who was well liked by everyone. He was only 18 years of age at his death, but being large for his age, he passed the inspections and examinations easily when he entered at the age of 16. His father is a mine worker in Picher No. 14. He is an old time Columbus citizen and owns 80 acres of land near that city, which he intended to give to Roy upon his return to America after the war. He also has 84 acres of land near Blue Mound, which he intends to give to his son, Omar, who is in the Navy, aboard the warship Pennsylvania, now located in Hampton Roads, Va., for which place he left today, after a furlough of ten days, spent visiting his father in Picher, and relatives in Pittsburg, Kas. Particulars other than that announcing the death of Roy were not given in today's dispatch. They will be anxiously awaited by his father and old friends of the city. This is the first announcement of the death of a Picher boy in the trench warfare.

RECEPTION FOR PREACHER

About 60 people attended the class reception given the Reverend Thomas H. Popplewell as a surprise to celebrate the anniversary of his sixty-second birthday. Rev. Popplewell is the teacher of the Men's Sunday School class and it was they who planned the reception, inviting all members of the class and their families to attend. The reception was held at the tabernacle Wed. evening at the close of the regular weekly prayer meeting hour. The class, through Sunday School Superintendent R. E. Rosenstein, presented the pastor with a suitable present and one which they considered would be useful to him.

Because of a contest held between the men's and women's classes some time ago and in which the men got "whipped," they were in debt to the women for a social and because the ice cream and cake were so good last evening and because most of the women's class were present they concluded to let the reception last night square the debt the men owed them and not hold a special one for the women's class.

FINED FOR JUNK VIOLATION

L. D. Biddick Fined in Police Court
Yesterday for Violation of the
Junk Buying Ordinance

L. D. Biddick, of Baxter Springs, was given a fine of \$10 and paid \$4.50 costs in police court Wednesday for violation of the junk buying ordinance recently passed by the city council. This is the first prosecution under the new ordinance which calls for a license tax of \$100 per year, payable in advance.

The Round Robin club was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. W. Barnes Wednesday afternoon. The members present were Mesdames Kelly Carmichael, Robert Barnes, Wm. Earls and L. L. Willard, and the guests were Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. John Lawrence, Mrs. Will Jones and Mrs. Grant Waggoner. The four members mentioned above will entertain next week. The afternoon was pleasantly spent knitting and visiting. Ice cream and wafers were served.

Mrs. Robert McKinney and little son, Bruce, of Augusta, Kas., are guests of Mrs. McKinney's mother, Mrs. Beltzhoover on East Thirteenth street.

foot. People will be notified when the sewer-ditch arrives at their premises and the work will be done if they want it done. The cost will be payable upon completion as the city must keep this work separate from the regular sewer fund.

ALL 1918 CLASS EXAMINED

Will Finish Class Tomorrow—Classi-
fication Will be Published in
Later Issue.

Twenty-four boys of the 1918 class will be examined by the Local Board at Columbus today. This will conclude the examinations. The classifications will be published in the Daily Citizen just as soon as it is given out from the local board. Following are the Baxter boys called for examination tomorrow: Merrill Winters, Earl Marsh, True Chubb, James Pegg and James Moore.

J. O. TREECE HOME.

J. O. Treece returned home Wednesday evening after a several days visit with his father at Blue Mound, Kansas. Mr. Treece returned through Topeka and visited the new state house. He says in most places the corn crop is going to be fine, but that in a few places it is burned up.

THE SILO TRIP

County Agent Gives Baxter Crowd
the Slip by Changing Schedule

Two auto loads of Baxter boosters, with Sec. Corb Sarchet in charge, started yesterday morning to join in the silo boosting trip over the south end of the county. They went to J. G. Millner's place near Crestline. There they met the new county demonstrator E. J. Willis, and W. S. Peterson, dairy specialist of the State A. & M. College.

The Baxter bunch were not invited but they took it for granted that they would be welcome and were planning on bringing the demonstrators into Baxter to lunch and then accompanying them west of town, where the published schedule directed.

Mr. Willis, however, threw the Baxter people off his trail after leaving the Millner farm, by changing his schedule. The Baxter people went to the next place on the program, A. S. Carnahan's, and waited there an hour. The noon hour at hand they started back to Baxter and shortly met the car from Columbus and were informed that Mr. Willis had been holding a meeting elsewhere. That ended the silo promoting excursion and the Baxter people are trying to figure out what Mr. Willis' object was in giving them the slip.

STELZNER IN FRANCE.

Julius F. Stelzner, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stelzner, of Baxter Springs, has arrived across seas. Mr. and Mrs. Stelzner received the card announcing the arrival yesterday. Young Mr. Stelzner is in the 26th Balloon Company.

LOYAL WOMEN MEET

Following are the minutes of the regular weekly meeting of the Loyal Women's Class of the Christian church, held in the church, Wednesday.

Meeting opened by singing number 32, "The Bible," and followed by number 111, "Somebody." Roll was called and those present responded by a quotation from the Bible.

It was decided that all ladies should pay five cents dues each month for incidental expenses of the class.

A reading was given by Mrs. Roberts, entitled, "Old Hymns We Love," which was very suitable for the occasion.

Nine members and two visitors were present at the meeting Wednesday.

Meeting was dismissed by Rev. T. H. Popplewell, pastor of the church.

Mrs. E. A. Mapes is a Joplin visitor Tuesday.

Miss Augusta Hartley is spending a few days with Mrs. Ray Hartley.

Mrs. Ed Byram has as her guest Mrs. Eva Burget of Kansas City, Mo.

Jack Paul, who has been working for Willard Bros., went to Augusta, Kas., last week. He is learning civil engineering under Bennis Paterbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hartin entertained the members of their Sunday School Thursday evening. They motored down from Columbus in autos.

O. M. Brinton has returned from New York City, where he went for a farewell visit with his brother, Lieut. Wilbur Brinton, of Butler, Mont., and Lieut. Benj. Brinton, of New York City, who were leaving for France.

DARDENE SPENT BIG SUM
HAVING JOLLY GOOD TIMEBought Seven Automobiles and "Whoop-
ed Off" Thousands on Clothes, Dia-
monds, Automobiles and Booze.

Judge Ellis appointed Garland Biffle and E. B. Morgan as guardians for Abe Dardene at a hearing at Columbus Wednesday. Judge Ellis was down here last week but continued the case at that time to the hearing at Columbus yesterday afternoon. Mr. Biffle represented Mr. Dardene and E. B. Morgan represented Mrs. Dardene. The defendant was charged with being a habitual drunkard and otherwise irresponsible to take care of his property. Mr. Dardene was arrested a few days ago and given a jail sentence and fined for carrying concealed weapons.

The trial brought out some very interesting testimony and will be the cause of the cutting off of no inconsiderable revenue from Joplin saloon keepers who have had a rich plum in Dardene. Henry Horton, Sam Shaffer, Len Hodgkins, Jeff Cowan, Harry Hartley, J. T. Morrison, A. V. Smith, Roy Harvey, Mr. Van Horn and Fred Nichols were among the Baxter Springs witnesses used in the trial.

The testimony shows that Mr. Dardene has bought seven automobiles in the past twelve months. He has sold property in the past year for which he received \$20,000.00 and spent the money. In addition to this he has been drawing from \$1100 to \$1300 per week royalty from mining property or an average of some \$5,000.00 per month, all of which he has dissipated and given away. His known income of about \$70,000.00 during the past year has all been thrown away and when called up for trial he had just 50

Miss Alice Coldiron, of Columbus, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Cammack.

The Priscilla Art Club met July 26 with Mrs. T. C. Whitcomb. The evening was spent in setting the quilt together. Members present, evenen. Visitors: Mrs. L. Paynter, of Topeka, Kas.; Mrs. O. D. Lockhart, Mrs. Smith and Miss Kimes. Mrs. Whitcomb served a two course luncheon, assisted by Mrs. Norman. We adjourn to meet August 2nd, with Mrs. G. W. Burnett.

The following parties will leave Saturday night for the Spavanaw Hills, where they will fish over the week end and first of the week: Van Cavanaugh, Henry Bowen, O. C. Burris, Tillman Hocker, John Cooper. They will make the trip in the Hocker automobile.

Dr. and Mrs. Scott are now nicely settled in the south one of the new houses built by Mr. Gaither of Columbus on Tenth street.

The family of F. R. Alger moved to Baxter Thursday from Miami and have occupied one of the Chubb houses in the Chubb addition.

O. N. Lynch has moved into a new house in the Chubb addition recently built by him.

Reverend and Mrs. O. L. Orton came in Wednesday from Denver, Colo., where they have been visiting relatives for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Ted Richardson, of Columbus, visited in Baxter Tuesday.

The Misses Ida and Marjorie Van Dusen attended the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. Jane Drake, at Miami, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Martin, who have been here visiting Mr. Martin's sister, Mrs. W. D. Covey, have returned to their home in LaJunta, Col.

Quite a good many people from Baxter went to Joplin Thursday to see the Barnum-Bailey circus. Because of a few going on each car it was impossible to report just who went. It is more than likely that a few was picked out Thursday evening last.

cents. Mr. Dardene owns considerable Baxter Springs property, that is considered valuable. He also owns a part of South St. Louis, Okla., and has other property.

Mr. Dardene's escapades during the past several months are a part of the sensational history of Baxter Springs. Among other items brought out at the trial it was shown that a Joplin saloon keeper has been acting as Mr. Dardene's cashier. Mr. Dardene would leave his money with the saloon keeper and then draw from it just as he would a bank until it was gone. He was given trial before a jury.

The Dardene family consists of husband, wife and one child, and live in Baxter Springs. Mr. Dardene is part Indian and has owned the land on which the mines are situated all his life, but it has only been since last December that they have been producing the large income.

Mrs. Dardene brought the suit for a guardian. She testifies that during the last seven months her husband has spent \$40,000 in riotous living. She alleges that he is a habitual drunkard and has ceased to stay at home except at rare intervals, that he spent his money buying clothing, diamonds, and automobiles; that he purchased seven automobiles in the last year or so. He first owned a Buick Six, then he bought two seven-passenger Studebakers, followed this with a Ford. (Also listed as an automobile.) Then he bought two Hudson super-sixes and ended with a Saxon car.

NEWS AND COMMENT

W. R. Stubbs will speak in town this afternoon at 2:00 p. m. Arthur Capper will speak here Saturday. Both are big speakers and both are big men.

Quite a goodly number of Baxter people were over to Joplin Thurs. we judge feeding vast quantities of peanuts to the elephants and drinking up a small lake of red lemonade prepared for the occasion. Barnum-Bailey's show always did draw like tanglefoot.

It took us about two days to discover that W. A. Webber, of the Glasgow hardware store, is our old picture show and hardware friend of Claremore, Okla. Mr. Webber is already a member of the Chamber of Commerce and is a candidate for initiation into the ranks of "The Fellows," of Baxter Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Kuhn, of this city, left Thursday afternoon for Glenwood Springs, Colo., where they will visit for two months.

The O-K field is not the only one that has been affected by a slump, in fact it seems that slumps are rather the fashion at present. The Dallas News, in the issue of the 27th, described the condition of the mines in the Colorado field as critical. Small mines have been closed and many others are being operated with diminished forces. The Colorado correspondent states that the fields there are passing through a period of adjustment and the final result will not be apparent for several months. The prices of material and labor are soaring and the margin of profit of some of the mines has for many years been slight. The report says that the market for the low grade zinc ores of Colorado is not encouraging and the production has already fallen off considerably as there are no truly high-grade zinc ores in Colorado comparable to those of the O-K field. This report has to do with not only the zinc mines but all of the others as well, gold and silver and all of the others. This field is indeed lucky to feel the new condition so little, but it seems to be a case of the survival of the fittest. With several of the zinc and lead districts practically shut down, at least 95 per cent of the mills of the Kansas-Oklahoma district are going full blast because the mines are so rich that a condition fatal to others sits lightly on us.